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**TOURISM DEPARTMENT**

RESOLUTION

The 29th September, 2023

**“SCHEME FOR DUBAI SINGAPORE EXPOSURE VISITS”**

**A SCHEME TO ARRANGE EXPOSURE VISITS OF GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA  
DELEGATES/ REPRESENTATIVES TO SINGAPORE AND DUBAI**

Exposure visits play an extremely important role in various aspects of personal and professional development, as well as in the growth of organizations and communities. Exposure visits are highly valuable for several reasons such as Learning Opportunities, Skill Enhancement, Networking, Innovation and Creativity, Broadening Horizons, Capacity Building, Improved Decision-Making, Motivation and Inspiration, Knowledge Transfer, Building Confidence, Cultural Exchange, Promoting Sustainable Development etc.

Keeping this in view, The Department of Tourism, Government of Odisha aims to offer unique experiences and exposure to selected groups / delegates / representatives from Department of Mission Shakti, Departments of Skill Development & Technical Education, Women & Child Development, Sports and Youth Services, Health and Family Welfare, Panchayati Raj and Drinking Water Department, Housing & Urban Development, and any other such Department that Government may decide from time to time, and other officers who do exceptional work or public representatives through exposure visits to Dubai and Singapore through Direct International flight connectivity from Bhubaneswar, which has commenced from dated 15th May, 2023. This will help in capacity building of Government officials of Odisha, giving out of the box learning platform through visiting Institutes of eminence, departments, organisations, key infrastructure projects of the 02 international

cities – Dubai and Singapore, and also support the flights with sustainable passenger load since these direct flights are supported by the Government of Odisha.

## **1. Scheme Details**

- i. This scheme is about organising exposure trips of delegates nominated by various departments of the Government of Odisha to two cities of Dubai and Singapore, through direct flights to these cities from Bhubaneswar. These direct flights are operated by M/s. Indigo Airlines, with whom the Government of Odisha in the Department of Commerce & Transport has entered into an agreement to that effect.
- ii. The exposure visits under this scheme offer a unique opportunity to government officials / selected delegates / representatives of Odisha to build their capacity by gaining invaluable experience, expand their knowledge, and foster partnerships with international entities. The scheme as such contributes to the overall growth and development of the state in tourism and other fields.
- iii. Approximately 2662 delegates/ representatives will be benefited in 72 trips consisting of 37 members each (35 delegates plus 02 officers or support staff per trip) to Singapore and Dubai for period of 31 Months(Oct 2023 to May 2026 OR coterminous with the contract agreement between the Department of Commerce & Transport and Indigo Airlines, whichever is earlier).
- iv. The entire cost of the exposure trips under this scheme will be borne by the Government of Odisha. The representatives or delegates who will be travelling under this scheme to Singapore / Dubai are not required to pay anything for the tour.
- v. The number of trips and delegates may vary depending upon the circumstances extraneous to the Government/ Department, or as may be decided by the Government from time to time.
- vi. The proposed scheme will be funded by Department of Tourism, Government of Odisha amounting to INR 25,00,00,000(Rupees Twenty-Five Crore) as detailed below (*The estimate may vary depending on the seasonality and dynamic tariff/ pricing structure of the airline/ hotels, foreign exchange etc.*)

Provisional Estimate for International Group Tour			
Sl. No.	Particulars	Singapore	Dubai
	Package Period	3N/4D	2N/3D
	Package Days	Fri-Mon	Mon-Wed
1	Air Ticket	20,000	20,000
2	Logistic @ Destination	44,000	30,000
3	Visa Fees	3,000	7,500
4	Travel Insurance	600	600
5	Fresh Passport	1,500	1,500
6	OTDC Service Charge	5,000	5,000
7	Allowances Per person per day (500 AED for Dubai; 190 SGD for Singapore Lumpsum)	11,500	11,590
8	Per Person Travel Cost for one trip	85,600	76,190
9	Total Pax to be Covered	1,332	1,332
10	Total Cost for each City (for 36 trips each)	11,40,19,200	10,14,85,080
11	Total Cost (02 Cities)	INR 21,55,04,280	
Contingency @ 15 %		INR 3,23,25,642	
Total		INR 24,78,29,922	
In words: Rupees Twenty-Four Crore Seventy-Eight Lakhs Twenty-Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty-Two Only			
Grand Total		~INR 25 Cr	

**Note:**

- One Time Allowance of 500 AED (considering exchange rate of 1 AED = INR 23) for Dubai Exposure Visit and 190 SGD (considering exchange rate of 1 SGD = INR 61) for Singapore Exposure Visit will be given to each delegate.
- The proposed scheme does not envisage to create any assets which will require operations and maintenance in future.
- No other existing schemes of Govt. of Odisha can be leveraged to fund this proposed scheme.

## **2. Target Beneficiaries:**

The target beneficiaries of the scheme are select groups, delegates, and representatives of the Government of Odisha. Specifically, the following departments have been identified as potential beneficiaries:

- i. Representatives / Delegates from Departments of Mission Shakti; Skill Development & Technical Education; Women & Child Development; Sports and Youth Services; Health & Family Welfare; Panchayati Raj and Drinking Water Department; Housing & Urban Development Department; and any other Department as the Government of Odisha may decide from time to time.
- ii. The scheme may also include officers nominated by any department of the Government of Odisha who has demonstrated exceptional work and contributed in their respective fields; or any other public representatives nominated by Government of Odisha from time to time.

## **3. Nomination Procedure**

- i. Concerned Departments/ shall nominate delegates/representatives for participation in the exposure trips under this scheme.
- ii. Each delegate will be eligible to avail the benefit of this scheme only once.

## **4. Other Terms and Conditions**

- i. The Department of Tourism will be responsible for overall supervision and successful implementation of the scheme.
- ii. The Odisha Tourism Development Corporation (OTDC) shall be responsible for Air ticket, Visa approval, Passport facilitation, Hotel booking, local tours, exposure visits, monitoring, evaluation and overall coordination of entire scheme. Department of Tourism may also avail the services of its Industry Partner FICCI for logistics and other related services in destination countries. OTDC may engage with FICCI accordingly for the purpose.
- iii. OTDC may empanel suitable destination management companies (DMC) / tour operators / travel agents for logistics and other related services in the destination countries.

- iv. The Department of Tourism will collect feedback reports from nodal officers of respective departments, who have accompanied the delegates/ public representatives in the respective exposure trips in a format prescribed by the Department of Tourism in the operational guidelines of the scheme.
- v. The Department of Tourism shall Draft the operational guidelines for execution of this scheme.
- vi. The scheme may be extended or terminated before the prescribed dateline, if the Government of Odisha so desires due to circumstances extraneous to this scheme or otherwise.

### **ORDER**

Ordered that the Resolution be published in the *Odisha Gazette* and copies thereof forwarded to the A.G., Odisha/ all Departments of Government/ all Heads of Departments/ All RDCs/ All Collectors/ All Tourist Officers for information.

By Order of the Governor

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